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Ethridge Named Army Chief of Staff

NASHVILLE – Major General Gus Hargett has named Nashville native Terry A. Ethridge as the Chief of Staff for the Tennessee Army National Guard. Colonel Ethridge replaces Col. Joseph Wells of Paris who retires in June.

Col. Ethridge is a 1978 graduate of Middle Tennessee State University, and was commissioned a Field Artillery officer from the MTSU ROTC program.

Prior to his selection as Chief of Staff, Col. Ethridge served as the Deputy Chief of Staff, Aviation. He also served as the State Aviation Training Officer, the Executive Officer and Commander of the 4th Squadron, 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, and the Aviation Operations Officer for the Tennessee Army National Guard.

Col. Ethridge is a UH-1 Huey and UH-60 Blackhawk pilot and served on active duty in a variety of staff and command positions with the 158th Aviation Battalion, Ft. Campbell, KY. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army Field Artillery Officer Basic and Advanced Course, UH-1 and UH-60 Instructor Pilot Course, Command and General Staff College, and is a 2006 graduate of the U.S. Army War College.

Col. Ethridge resides in Murfreesboro and is married to the former Karen Wood of Huntsville, AL. They have 2 children, Jordan and Grace.

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